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An alternative perspective. Andrew has been detailed to my shop from INR. This is INR's take on the deal.

From: Miller, Andrew P

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I just spoke to INR. Their view is this is political theater and the deal will be scuttled before it's fully implemented. Interests of Fatah and Hamas remain incompatible. Neither side has an incentive to deviate from status quo on terms to which other side will agree.

Nevertheless, this is significant for speech preparations, as deal may still hold as of next week. Two thoughts:

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