

Pugwash and Arms Control in a Divided World?

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Structure



From Iran...

- Over twenty years in international focus!
- Progress 2011 onwards
- JCPOA 14.7.2015
- US withdrawal 8.5.2017
- Pugwash role



To Oman

- 2017 onwards
- Respected mediator



Water Diplomacy

- Falaj al Katmein, one of 5 aflaj listed in UNESCO World Heritage
- Example of smart agreement
- How is it possible?
- Islam, tribal, necessity



Not only that, but MEDRC and beyond

- Falaj culture into Omani foreign policy since 1970
- Inclusion, dialogue
- Middle East Peace Process
- From Qaboos' time to
- Sultan Haitham bin Tariq



And Beyond?

- JCPOA's fate- what will Iran do?
- What will regional players do?
- So:

Lesson learnt 1 – necessity

Lessons learnt 2 – compliance for compliance

Lessons learnt 3 – address historical animosities

Q: who can do this?



Coming to US – RU

1. History of animosity -
or not?
 2. 1940s – to tell or not to tell
 3. Pugwash – talk and innovate –
together
- = keep channels open

Pugwash – how to keep channels
open now, in Pugwash spirit?



Arms control dominoes falling

- Dhanapala – what use for NATO?
- ABM, JCPOA, INF, Open Skies, OPCW animosities etc.
- INF – why? Can it still work, modified, elsewhere?
- NPT?
- Risks: effects of NW use, environment, C3 + escalation



UN CHARTER – THE TRUE VICTIM?

- UN CHARTER – art. 2.4 and 2.7 –
Outlaw unilateral uses of force
1990s and mandates for use of
force in internal conflicts
Hype of Responsibility to Protect
And then came the excesses...
Kosovo, Afganistan (?), Libya, Iraq,
Syria, Ukraine...



UKRAINE

- War as a continuation of diplomacy ?
- Not under UN Charter
- Budapest Memorandum 1994 and deterrence – lessons learnt
- Geneva Conventions, Additional Protocol I and Russia



LEGACIES

- How will history review us?
- Gorbachev – a leader who changed the world
- And Biden and Putin? – leaders who....
- Will there be history?
- Pugwash ROE: inclusion, dialogue, respect – and objectivity



Thank you!

- Questions? Comments?



Return good for good;
return evil with justice.

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