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Coping with Crisis in the Middle East

A Rapidly Changing Geopolitical Landscape

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the PLO**

As Washington attempts to broker the latest Israeli-Palestinian peace deal, one of the main architects behind the Oslo Peace Accords, Mr. Terje Rød-Larsen joins the Council to discuss managing crisis in the rapidly changing Middle East. A Norwegian diplomat known for enduring patience and a passion for finding peace in this region, Mr. Rød-Larsen has had a distinguished career in the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the United Nations. In Norway, his foreign service includes laying the groundwork for the 1993 Palestinian-Israeli talks in Oslo. At the United Nations, he has served as Special Coordinator in the Occupied Territories and the Middle East Peace Process. While currently serving as the President of the International Peace Academy, he is also the UN Special Representative for the implementation of Security Council Resolution 1559, which calls for Syrian withdrawal from Lebanon and the disarmament of Hezbollah.



Terje Rød-Larsen meets with Yasser Arafat during a 2003 visit to his West Bank headquarters in Ramallah.

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