

# Re: Yet Another Roswell Thread

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Ian Parker wrote:

On 21 Jul, 03:46, Einar <[eina...@xxxxxxxxxx](mailto:eina...@xxxxxxxxxx)> wrote:

Israel and the US will be forced to negotiate with Iran.

A likelly development in Iraq looks to me that it will develope into some kind of a war in proxy between Iran and the sunny powers. Iran will support the shites and the sunni countries will support the sunnis. That kind of thing could maintain that war for quite a long time. Iran might perhaps use the Hesbollah as well, and try to radicalize shite minorities around the Middle East.

The interesting question is where this leaves Israel. Could Iran ever forge an anti Sunni alliance with Isreal? It would certainly make good realpolitical sense. I think there is one historical precedent in that Richlieu was a Catholic cardinal who supported the Protestants during the Thirty Years War. A Catholic victory would have consolidated the power of the Hapsburgs that would not have been in the interests of France.

The countries bordering Israel are all predomentantly Sunni. A Shiite Iraq would in fact be the equivalent of a Hapsburg defeat as far as Isreal is concerned. Iran in its turn would want to keep the Sunnis occupied in the West. The point is that countries often act in ways contrary to their stated ideology.