

Questions related to George Ball on AIPAC

1. When did Israel begin to request American financial assistance? Why did Israel's Jewish supporters in America conclude that they needed to appeal directly to Congress?
2. How does AIPAC get around the fact that as a lobbying organization it is prohibited from making campaign contributions?
3. Give an example of how AIPAC seeks to control American media with respect to Israel.
4. What might be the rapid response if a politician says something AIPAC dislikes?
5. In an election year, what can happen to a politician who does not toe the AIPAC line?
6. Does AIPAC hold policy positions independent of those of the Israeli government?
7. Do senators or congressmen publicly question whether the large amount of American aid going to Israel is a good idea?
8. What happened to some senators who voted for Reagan's AWACs sale to Saudi Arabia?
9. Give a specific example of how AIPAC secures huge financial returns for Israel from the relatively small financial contributions of its American donors.