I hope President Obama has been reading James Baker in preparation for his speech Thursday to the Muslim world. It was in the time of the former secretary of state, two decades ago, that the United States last had a balanced approach to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

Here's what Baker told the America-Israel Public Affairs Committee — the pro-Israel lobby — on May 22, 1989: "For Israel, now is the time to lay aside, once and for all, the unrealistic vision of a Greater Israel."

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