

Unitarian Universalist Sunday Forum

First Unitarian Universalist Society of San Francisco
1187 Franklin Street at Geary, Thomas Starr King Room

Sunday, March 22 – 9:00 am

- 9:00 In Person at UUSF: coffee, light breakfast available for nominal fee, socializing
- 9:30 Program begins and Zoom online as listed below
- 10:15 Questions, Discussion
- 10:50 Adjourn for the 11:00 UU Worship Service (in the Sanctuary)



Richard Becker: *Endless War in the Middle East—Why?*

Despite his false promises to end “endless war,” Trump has proven to be ruthless a warmonger as his predecessors going back to the aftermath of World War II. The U.S. closest ally in the region, Israel, while a small country with very limited internal resources, has been in a near-constant state of war since its founding in 1948. Now, the U.S./ Israel alliance has manifested itself in deadly new assaults on Iran and the Palestinian people in gross violation of international law and human rights. Join us for a discussion of what is driving endless war in the Middle East.

Richard Becker is the Western Regional Coordinator of the ANSWER-Act Now to Stop War and End Racism-Coalition. Becker has been a key organizer of many marches, rallies and public forums sponsored by ANSWER opposing U.S., wars, occupations and sanctions against Iraq, Afghanistan, Palestine, Cuba, Venezuela, Syria, Yugoslavia, Iran, Libya and other countries.

Becker is the author of *Palestine, Israel and the U.S. Empire*. He has visited the Middle East and North Africa on numerous delegations since 1986, including Palestine, Iraq and Syria. Becker represented the ANSWER Coalition in conferences on Palestinian political prisoners in and Tunisia in 2016 and Lebanon in 2019 He authored, “**The Myth of Democracy and the Rule of the Banks,**” on the 2008-10 “Great Recession.”

Join Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/98871351778?pwd=NGkxGFkYtJJs4gcfsz9PiFoTtSd67.1>

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