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Americans will depend on liquid fossil fuels for transportation for many decades to come. Bec

Unfortunately, for now, the U.S. has little choice about being involved in the region-a large

U.S. security interests in the Middle East revolve around two issues: the free flow of oil fro

A continuing dependence on this region is not in our best interests and is becoming very costl

The Saudi regime is facing an increasingly radicalized Sunni majority and a marginalized and r

As oil reserves are depleted in the Middle East, the cost of extracting oil will rise. When th

There is plenty of oil, but not at today's relatively cheap production costs.

Shale oil, for example, exists in huge quantities in four Western states. But development of t

Current world oil prices, however, can be moderated by the availability of relatively small am

ANWR is estimated by the Department of Energy to equal as much as 30 years of imports from Sau

With modern directional drilling techniques, the oil can be extracted from as little as 2,000

In the past, both the U.S. House and Senate have approved opening ANWR to oil and gas producti

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