

is made to deal with the Israeli decision-making process that helped to shape mutual relations.

It is for that reason that the main advantage of this book is the light it sheds on several aspects of Canada's foreign policy, and the way it was formulated. It is less informative on the mutual relations between the two states, Israel and Canada.

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King, Joe. *Fabled City: the Jews of Montreal*. Montreal: Price-Patterson Ltd., 2009. 200 pp.

This book is the latest in a series of tributes to Jewish Montreal flowing from the pen of Joe King. As an experienced journalist and a talented storyteller, King has made the most of a rich body of material in order to evoke the personalities, incidents and anecdotes that mark the rich history of the Jews of Montreal over two and a half centuries. He knows a good story when he sees it and tells it well. The book is the result of a great deal of research and consultation, which the author graciously acknowledges. *Fabled City* is well designed with copious illustrations on nearly every page. Both those who are new to the historical memory of Montreal Jews and those who are already familiar with the subject will be entertained and instructed.

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Levine, Allan. *Coming of Age: A History of the Jewish People of Manitoba*. Winnipeg: Heartland, 2009. 511 pp.

Almost fifty years after the publication of Arthur Chiel's *The Jews in Manitoba*, Allan Levine gives us a chronicle of astounding scope, supplemented by wonderful photographs from the archives of the Jewish Heritage Centre of Western Canada. The task of writing a regional history is no small one. The story must have sufficient depth and breadth so that readers from inside the