Record Nr. UNINA9910820045903321 Getting out [[electronic resource]]: historical perspectives on leaving **Titolo** Iraq / / edited by Michael Walzer and Nicolaus Mills Pubbl/distr/stampa Philadelphia,: University of Pennsylvania Press, c2009 **ISBN** 1-283-89703-2 0-8122-0590-1 Edizione [1st ed.] 1 online resource (168 p.) Descrizione fisica Altri autori (Persone) WalzerMichael MillsNicolaus Disciplina 355.4 Soggetti Disengagement (Military science) **Imperialism** Military history Iraq War, 2003-2011 United States Armed Forces Iraq Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. "A Dissent book." Introduction / Michael Walzer -- No exit but victory: Britain and the Nota di contenuto American colonies / Stanley Weintraub -- America and the Philippines: the graceful withdrawal / Stanley Karnow -- India and Britain: the consequences of leaving too soon / Rajeev Bhargava -- The surprising success: the United States and Korea / Fred Smoler -- France and Algeria: claim victory and au revoir / Todd Shepard -- Vietnam and the United States: the price of intransigence / Frances FitzGerald -- The gates of Gaza and the limits of power: Israel and Gaza / Shlomo Avineri -- 9/11 and the road to Iraq / Nicolaus Mills -- The persistence of empire / David Bromwich -- Departing responsibly / Brendan O'Leary -- It isn't over / George Packer. Eventually every conqueror, every imperial power, every occupying Sommario/riassunto army gets out. Why do they decide to leave? And how do political and military leaders manage withdrawal? Do they take with them those who might be at risk if left behind? What are the immediate consequences of

departure? For Michael Walzer and Nicolaus Mills, now is the time to

ask those questions about exiting-and to worry specifically about the difficulties certain to arise as we leave-Irag. Getting Out approaches these issues in two sections. The first, entitled "Lessons Learned," examines seven historical cases of how and how not to withdraw: Britain's departure from the American colonies and from India, the French withdrawal from Algeria, Israel's unilateral withdrawal from Gaza, and the U.S. decision to leave (or not leave) the Philippines, Korea, and Vietnam. These cases offer a comparative perspective and an opportunity to learn from the history of political and military retreats. The second section, "Exiting Iraq," begins with an introduction to just how the United States got into Iraq and continues with an examination of how the U.S. might leave from a diversity of voices, ranging from those who believe that the Iraq war has produced no real good to those who hope for a decent ending. In addition to essays by volume editors Walzer and Mills, Getting Out features contributions by Shlomo Avineri, Rajeev Bhargava, David Bromwich, Frances FitzGerald, Stanley Karnow, Brendan O'Leary, George Packer, Todd Shepard, Fred Smoler, and Stanley Weintraub.