

PREFACE

PRIMER'S first analysis of The Hartford Courant coverage of the Israel-Palestinian conflict from May 1, 2001 to August 31, 2001 was a comprehensive point by point analysis of each article that appeared in the Courant. This three month report, from April 23, 2002 to July 24, 2002, approaches The Hartford Courant coverage of the Israel-Palestinian conflict in a manner not included in our previous report.

Each segment of this report is identified as either Pro-Israel, Pro-Palestinian or neutral. The parameters outlined below play a major role in the delivery of news and its impact in formulating perception of events and opinion.

We examined news articles for:

- **headlines**
- **page location of articles and photos**
- **size of articles and photos**
- **overall text**

The following were examined in the opinion pages:

- **editorials**
- **letters to the editor**
- **op-ed/commentary**
- **political cartoons**