1973: The Road to War
Featuring Yigal Kipnis

Monday, September 23, 2013
4:00 – 5:30 PM
The Atrium, Stamp Student Union
University of Maryland – College Park

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Light refreshments will be served.

While conflict with Syria dominates discussion in the U.S., Israelis are focusing on the 40th anniversary of the Yom Kippur War of 1973. Its outbreak is commemorated on Sept. 14 (Yom Kippur this year) according to the Hebrew calendar; on Oct. 6 according to the civil calendar.

Israeli historian Yigal Kipnis, using newly declassified documents, revealed in his book published last year in Hebrew, that Egyptian President Sadat had proposed a peace plan before the war, but Israeli Prime Minister Golda Meir had ignored it. Rumors had abounded, but Kipnis’s book, now published in English, makes it clear. Israelis were incensed when the revelations appeared; now Dr. Kipnis will discuss them at UMD.

Dr. Yigal Kipnis teaches International Relations at Haifa University, lives in the Golan Heights, and was a pilot in the Israeli Air Force reserve for 26 years.