

CHAIN REACTION: **Some Thoughts about Conflict Resolution**



Satoru: Sometimes it seems as if wars start off like chain reactions. Once tensions have risen high enough, all it takes is a mere spark to set off a conflagration.

Ying: (nodding) That's true. The conditions that prelude war and foster conflict often build up gradually for years or decades.

Frida: What we need to do is learn create conditions in which war would become unthinkable.

Satoru: (with a satirical chuckle) No doubt. However, given human history so far, it is hard to envision how that could be possible.

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