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### Vicious Cycles of Conflict or Virtuous Cycles of Cooperation?

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This paper provides theoretical foundations and empirical evidence for the complex interplays between violent and cooperative actions/reactions in the context of the ongoing Israeli-Palestinian conflict. A simple sticks and carrots dynamic model lays the foundations for a comprehensive empirical investigation in which we examine the dynamics of the actions taken by the two adversaries. Using violence and cooperation incidents during the Second Intifada within a framework of Vector Autoregression we find evidence of a vicious cycle of violence as well as a virtuous cycle of cooperation. Moreover, we find that cooperative measures by both sides lead to a reduction in the intensity of aggression (honeymoon effect) and that both sides follow their aggression towards the other by cooperating (regret and fear of retaliation effects).

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