

## The Delicate Matter of Peace and the Nobel Peace Prize

**Between 2012 and 2014 we posted a number of articles on contemporary affairs without giving them volume and issue numbers or dates. Often the date can be determined from internal evidence in the article, but sometimes not. We have decided retrospectively to list all of them as Volume 10, Issue 54 with a date of 2012 with the understanding that all were published between 2012 and 2014.**

Richard Falk, professor emeritus of international law at Princeton University and in 2008 appointed United Nations Special Rapporteur on Palestinian human rights, [comments](#) at his new blog on the "delicate matter" of awarding the Nobel Peace Prize to

those who have done little to promote the kind of peace envisioned by Sir Alfred Nobel back in 1895 (the first peace prize was awarded in 1901). Professor Falk discusses 2009 peace prize winner Barack Obama and the 2010 winner, Chinese political and human rights activist Liu Xiaobo. (Related: "" from the week of November 7). The 2010 Nobel Peace Prize will be awarded on December 10. [\[via Citizen Pilgrimage\]](#)

Update: Also [check out](#) "Darkest hour is before dawn of leviathan's final fall," an edited interview with Pu Zhiqiang, a Chinese human rights lawyer, in the Dec. 10 Sydney Morning Herald.