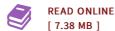




## The Palestinians: Background and U.S. Relations

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