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# KADISH LECTURE

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## Constituting the People

Many say the ideal of democracy presupposes the existence of a people but contributes nothing to its definition. In this Lecture I explain why this is wrong. Every democracy must try to constitute a democratic people, that is, a people who have a reasonable prospect of governing themselves democratically. Paradoxical as it sounds, constitutions can have a role in creating the people they are to govern.

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